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## **HISTORY**

**UNIT 1: STUDY IN-DEPTH** 

The USA: A Nation of Contrasts, 1910-1929

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Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

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#### Answer ALL the questions on the examination paper.

Write your answers in the spaces provided in this booklet. If you run out of space, use the continuation page at the back of the booklet, and if this is not sufficient use supplementary sheets. Write your name at the top of each supplementary sheet, indicating clearly the number of the question you answer. Put the supplementary sheets inside this booklet.

#### **INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

You are reminded that assessment will take into account the quality of written communication used in your answers that involve extended writing. These are question 2(c) and question 3.

In addition, your ability to spell, punctuate and use grammar accurately will be assessed in your answer to question 3.

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## Answer all questions.

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#### **QUESTION 1**

## This question is focused on the changes in American culture and society.

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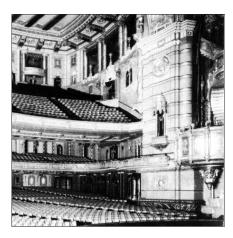
Study the sources below and then answer the question which follows.

#### Source A

The cinema became popular after the First World War. Every small town had one and many Americans visited it several times a week as prices were cheap. Hollywood developed as the centre of the film industry and began producing westerns, crime stories, romantic tales and comedies.

[From a school textbook]

#### Source B



[The new Roxy cinema, New York, opened in 1927]

(a)	What do Sources A and B suggest about the popularity of cinema in the 1920s?	[4]
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Study the source below and then answer the question which follows.

#### Source C

America fell in love with organised sports which grew in popularity during the Roaring Twenties. Working hours were changing, and more Americans had leisure time. They could go to the stadiums to watch games live, or listen to the games on the radio.

## [From a school textbook]

(b)	Use Source 1920s.	C and you	ır own kno	wledge to	explain why	organised	sport grew	in the [6]
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Study the sources below and then answer the question which follows.

#### Source D

Jazz dances, such as the Charleston and Black Bottom, encourage divorce. It is godless, animalistic and damnable. It degrades men and women. Now is the time to say plainly that it is one of the worst of all modern customs.

[Reverend Burke Culpepper, a fundamentalist Methodist minister, speaking in a sermon in 1925]

#### Source E

Jazz music is becoming increasingly popular, and black musicians are playing an important part in this change. They are not held back by old-fashioned traditions. They have new ideas and they are always experimenting. The young people in particular love the new, lively dances.

[A black Jazz musician, in a newspaper interview in 1927]

(c)	How useful are Sources D and E to an historian studying the impact of Jazz music American society?	on [8]
	Explain your answer using the sources and your own knowledge.	
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**END OF QUESTION 1** 

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## **QUESTION 2**

This	ques	stion is focused on the the main problems and challenges facing America.	[20]
	(a)	Describe the activities of the Ku Klux Klan.	[4]
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Study the source below and then answer the question which follows.

### Source F



[A cartoon that appeared in an American newspaper in 1924. Two Republican politicians are running away from a political scandal]

(b) Why was Source F produced in 1924?	[6]

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Historians have made different interpretations about the effect of immigration on the USA in this period.

The following pieces of evidence refer to immigration in the USA in this period.

Study these and answer the question that follows.

#### **Evidence 1**

This interpretation is written by Nigel Smith, an historian, writing in a GCSE history textbook published in 1996.

He argues that immigration had a positive effect on the USA.

By 1920 Americans had many reasons to feel satisfied. 14 million immigrants arrived between 1900 and 1920. This cheap and willing workforce helped make the USA the most successful nation on earth. The Ford motor company in particular made great use of Italians, Poles and Mexicans, and was famous for paying all workers \$5 a day.

#### **Evidence 2**

This interpretation is from an autobiography published in 1951 by a Republican Senator, reflecting on the issue of immigration in the 1920s.

He argues that immigration had a negative effect on the USA.

Undesirable immigrants were poisoning our way of life and threatening the security of our country. 1921 was a crucial year to stop those who did not have American ideals from entering the country. We had had enough of these thousands of new immigrants speaking no English, and bringing violence to our cities. Even worse, they were taking the jobs of hard-working Americans.

#### **Evidence 3**

This evidence is from an American newspaper in 1921, supporting restrictions on immigration.



(c)	One interpretation is that immigration had a positive effect on the USA.	
	How far do you agree with this interpretation?	[10]
	In your answer you should use the evidence opposite and your own knowledge of and why there are different interpretations of the effect of immigration on the USA.	how
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## **QUESTION 3**

This question is focused on the rise and fall of the American economy.	[12	+ 3]
Did all Americans benefit from the economic boom of the period?		[12]
In your answer you should discuss which Americans did benefit from the economic boom, who did not.	and th	ose
Marks for spelling, punctuation and the accurate use of grammar are allocated to this que	estion.	[3]
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